f liquor at night? I do not think the rules allow the sale of liquor after 12 o'clock.

PRESIDENT.

I think the detective staff do not do their duty properly. For there is a time-limit for the sale of liquor during night.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

Sub-division (f)—did not the Government promise to remove the shop from its present site? Was there any complaint in regard to the location of this shop in the present site, and has the Government given a promise that the complaint shall be enquired into and the shop removed?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

In the previous years the shop was not located in the present site. In fact, the shop, as I have come to know, was located in the market itself. It was nearer to the public road than the present site Further, I do not remember to have received any complaint, nor has any complaint reached the Government about this shop, either as to the noise or as to its location.

PRESIDENT.

If the shop was located in the particular place, the complaint must be with regard to the location of some other shop in some other place.

The opening of a new arrack shop in Mattancheri.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

191. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) Whether a new arrack shop has not been opened in Toppumpadi, Mattancheri, in addition to the arrack depots sanctioned in the Diwan's Notification, dated 27th Kumbham 1100, regarding the sale of arrack shops for 1101; and

(b) the special reason, if any, for opening this shop in contravention of the opinion of the Legislative Council expressed in the course of the budget discussion that the policy of the Government should be to reduce the consumption of arrack in the State?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

(a) No.

(b) Does not call for an answer in view of the reply to part (a).

An article in the "Suprabhatom".

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

192. (a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether its attention was drawn to an article under the heading "ശ്രീ

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

ഞായരാഴ്ച." in the *Suprabhatam* newspaper in its issue dated 26th Thulam 1101?

(b) If not, will the Government be pleased to peruse the same and call for a report from the officer concerned on the allegations contained in that article and place the same on the Council table?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR

(a) Yes.

(b) A copy of the report is placed on the table

(*Vide Appendix VIII.*)

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

Is Mr. Ramaswami Ayyar still the camp clerk to the Excise Superintendent?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

He ceased to be my camp clerk from the end of Vrischigam last.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNJ RAJA.

Did the Superintendent make any enquires with regard to the scandalous allegations made in the *Suprabhatam* paper against the said Ramaswami Ayyar?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

I made.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

What was the nature of the enquiry?

PRESIDENT.

Did he say that he conducted an enquiry?

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

He just now said that he made enquiries.

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

It was I who selected him, and in him I had complete reliance.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

Had you good faith in him even after you saw the article in the *Suprabhatam* paper?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR

I was satisfied with the conduct of the clerk. There was nothing to support the allegations mentioned in the newspaper

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA

Is he an aminadar now?

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

Yes, he is an aminadar now.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

Is it a promotion?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

Yes, it is.

The Residence of the Excise Superintendent in his Office Building.

Mr. M. K. RAMAN.

193 Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) Whether it is with their sanction that the Excise Superintendent is utilising as his private residence the northern wing of his office building and the kitchen attached thereto, and whether any rent is realised from him?

(b) Will the Government be further pleased to state whether any rent was realised from the late Mr. Brown for the occupation of these buildings, while he was the Excise Superintendent?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

(a) Yes. No rent is realised.

(b) Government are not in a position to furnish the information, as the records relating to the period have been destroyed.

Mr M. K. RAMAN.

Sub-division (a)—had the Government any authority to allow the Superintendent to live there free of rent?

PRESIDENT.

Is the question one of authority?

Mr. M. K. RAMAN.

My question is whether the Government authorised the Superintendent to live there free of rent.

PRESIDENT.

The papers will show whether he has not been asked to pay any rent.

Mr. M. K. RAMAN.

Sub-division (b)—when were those papers destroyed?

Mr. V. B. VAIDYANATHA AYYAR.

They were destroyed in Mr. Brown's time.

PRESIDENT.

Under the rules, how long are you to keep these records?

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

Prawn Shell	(Now not in stock)		
Prawn Dust	do		
Salt	2	12	9 per bag
Nitrate of Potash	21	6	0
Sodium Nitrate	15	12	9
Fish Guano	(Not now in stock)		
Sulphate of Ammonia	13	2	6
Neem Cake	5	4	9
Castor Cake	8	7	2
Pit Manure	(Not now in stock)		
Calcium Cynamide	15	12	0
Sulphate of Potash	10	8	7
Milled Fish	8	7	2

APPENDIX VII.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 188 (2).)

Statement of Manures sold last year.

Name of Manures.	*Quantity.*	*Amount.* Rs. A. P.
Super Phosphate	332 lbs.	16 15 6
Basic Phosphate	200 lbs.	93 0 8
Basic Slag	168 lbs.	11 10 0
Prawn Shell	7,292 lbs.	217 13 3
Salt	77½ bags	215 6 9
Prawn Dust	126 lbs.	4 8 7
Nitrate of Potash	4 lbs.	0 12 8
Fish Guano	5,096 lbs.	255 15 0
Sodium Nitrate	182 lbs.	31 4 6
Sulphate of Ammonia	331 lbs.	79 0 6
Neem Cake	1,818 lbs.	86 14 6
White Castor Cake	1,940 lbs.	125 14 0
Pit Manure	1,120 lbs.	23 5 4
Kainite	2,016 lbs.	111 1 9
Bone Meal	887 lbs.	54 1 10

APPENDIX VIII.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 192.)

Report from the Superintendent of Excise Revenue R. O. C. 1128/1101, dated 8th January 1926.

The allegations contained in the said article concern (1) K. R. Ramaswami Ayyar, who was my camp clerk on 26th Thulam 1101 and (2) Mr. C. P. Govinda Menon, the Trichur Excise Inspector.

With regard to the allegations against Ramaswami Ayyar, no complaint of his alleged misbehavior mentioned in the article has been made to me by anybody till now. I know him from 1089, and before he became my camp clerk, which was in the end of Medam 1099, he had worked under me while I was District Magistrate. He belongs to a respectable family, and I have always found him to be thoroughly honest. My sincere belief is that the allegations in question are not at all well-founded.

2 Next with regard to the allegations against the Trichur Inspector, the matter being *sub-judice*, nothing can be said now.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly